

TENNESSEE JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION

MEETING FORMAT

- 1. Commission Chairperson introduces Commission members and makes opening remarks.
- 2. Commission Chairperson requests the first applicant introduce himself/herself to the Commission and introduce those persons present to speak on his/her behalf. The applicants are heard in alphabetical order or reverse alphabetical order. The order rotates from one meeting of the Commission to another. The Commission hears comments from the first applicant's speakers before the introduction of the next applicant. This process continues until all applicants have been introduced and all speakers have had the opportunity to make their comments.

For the purpose of maintaining accurate minutes of the meeting, each applicant is asked to complete a form listing all of their speakers.

(Applicants are not required to have persons present to speak on their behalf but may do so if they choose. The Commission requests that applicants have <u>not more than three</u> speakers. Each applicant will be allocated a <u>total of ten minutes for their entire group of speakers</u>.

- 3. If there are no other individuals present to speak for or against any of the applicants, the public hearing is adjourned.
- 4. After the adjournment of the public hearing, the Commission begins the interview process.
- 5. After each applicant has been interviewed, the Commission members select the three (3) nominees for recommendation to the Governor for filling the court vacancy.